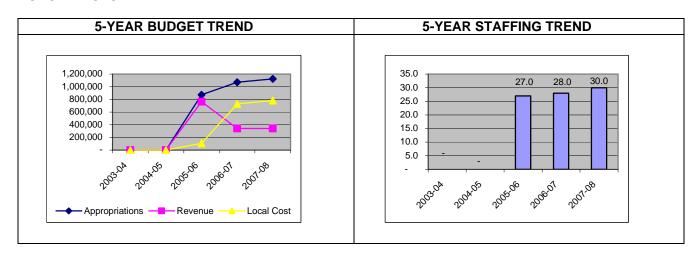
# **Public Guardian-Conservator**

### **DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES**

By court appointment, the Public Guardian-Conservator acts as conservator of any individuals found to be gravely disabled or to lack capacity to manage their finances and provide for their own care. A conservator has the responsibility for the conservatee's care, custody and control. The conservator determines where the conservatee lives and ensures his/her daily needs are met. Conservatees must be placed in the least restrictive placement, which may include, but is not limited to the following: medical, psychiatric, nursing, or other licensed facility or state hospital, county hospital, or United States government hospital.

#### **BUDGET HISTORY**



In 2004-05, Public Guardian-Conservator operations were transferred to Aging and Adult Services from the Public Administrator/ Public Guardian/Conservator/Coroner. Appropriations and revenues were previously included as part of the Public Administrator/ Public Guardian/Conservator/Coroner budget.

## **PERFORMANCE HISTORY**

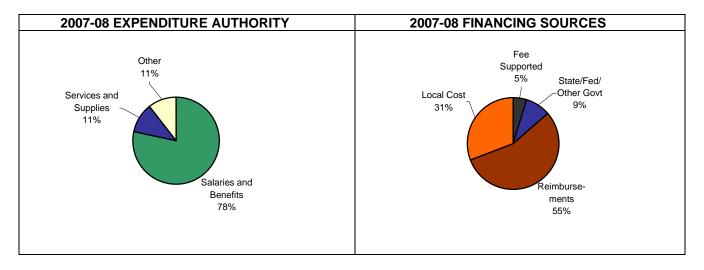
		2006-07			
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	Modified	2006-07
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget	Estimate
Appropriation	-	107,841	549,681	1,070,683	907,920
Departmental Revenue		401,102	402,854	342,000	179,237
Local Cost	-	(293,261)	146,827	728,683	728,683
Budgeted Staffing				28.0	

Estimated expenditures for 2006-07 are less than modified budget primarily due to vacant positions, unspent support due to vacancies and unused appropriations for warehouse outfitting.

The reductions in appropriations are offset by a significant decrease in realized revenues. The two categories of revenues that are not being realized in 2006-07 are current services and federal aid. Current services revenue reduction is due to the decline in clients' estate values. Based upon a court approved sliding fee schedule, PGD can only charge fees to estates with value. The federal aid is less than budgeted due to reduced actual claimable Medi-Cal Administrative activities.



### **ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED BUDGET**



GROUP: Human Services
DEPARTMENT: Public Guardian
FUND: General

BUDGET UNIT: AAA PGD
FUNCTION: Public Protection
ACTIVITY: Other Protection

					2006-07	2007-08	Change From 2006-07
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07 Estimate	Final	Proposed	Final
A	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Budget	Budget	Budget
Appropriation		F74.400	4 474 000	4 004 450	4 704 400	4 000 004	000 550
Salaries and Benefits	-	574,160	1,474,938	1,621,459	1,781,432	1,989,984	208,552
Services and Supplies	-	110,210	292,836	426,402	382,346	257,750	(124,596)
Central Computer	-	12,943	21,275	23,246	23,246	25,340	2,094
Land and Improvements	-	-	-	12,000	147,346		(147,346)
Equipment	-	-	470.000	44,000	5,500	15,000	9,500
Transfers		36,078	176,969	180,705	130,705	254,271	123,566
Total Exp Authority	-	733,391	1,966,018	2,307,812	2,470,575	2,542,345	71,770
Reimbursements	-	(663,658)	(1,378,229)	(1,399,892)	(1,399,892)	(1,417,508)	(17,616)
Total Appropriation	-	69,733	587,789	907,920	1,070,683	1,124,837	54,154
Operating Transfers Out	-	38,108	(38,108)				
Total Requirements	-	107,841	549,681	907,920	1,070,683	1,124,837	54,154
Departmental Revenue							
State, Fed or Gov't Aid	-	357,765	260,326	55,219	205,000	220,000	15,000
Current Services	-	43,322	141,150	123,018	137,000	123,018	(13,982)
Other Revenue	-	15	1,378	1,000			
Total Revenue	-	401,102	402,854	179,237	342,000	343,018	1,018
Local Cost	-	(293,261)	146,827	728,683	728,683	781,819	53,136
Budgeted Staffing					28.0	30.0	2.0

Salaries and benefits of \$1,989,984 fund 30.0 positions and are increasing by \$208,552 primarily resulting from \$167,538 for the addition of 2.0 Social Service Practitioners and other costs associated with MOU, retirement rate and worker's compensation adjustments.

Service and supplies of \$257,750 includes the purchase of vehicle storage containers; a vehicle pressure washer; mail service and fleet management increases; one-time-only costs associated with new computer hard drives/software; and warehouse renovations. The decrease of \$124,596 reflects reductions in risk management liabilities, communications and one-time relocation costs to the Redlands facility completed in 2006-07.



Improvement to structures decrease of \$147,346 is due to the completion of the warehouse improvements in 2006-07.

Equipment is budgeted at \$15,000 for the purchase of a flatbed trailer for transporting warehouse storage containers.

Transfers of \$254,271 represent administrative and informational technical support from Human Services and Aging and Adult Services. The increase of \$123,566 is due to reimbursements to Human Services for services provided by a Deputy Director, Public Health Nurse, Secretary, and informational technical support.

Reimbursements of \$1,417,508 represents reimbursements primarily from Department of Behavioral Health Realignment Funds for costs incurred for the Public Guardian Warehouse, two Estate Property Specialists and one Fiscal Specialist.

Federal aid of \$220,000 includes a slight increase in Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) based on 2006-07 estimated claims.

Current services of \$123,018 include Conservatee Estate Fees. The decrease of \$13,982 is based on projected reductions in client's estate values.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES								
Description of Performance Measure	2006-07 Projected	2006-07 Estimated	2007-08 Projected					
Percentage of probate investigations completed within 60 days of referral.	60%	43%	75%					
Percentage increase of operations to ensure percentage of consevatees visited quarterly exceeds 60%. (Measurement ended February 2007).	70%	27%						

